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AND ELECTION UNDER 35 USC §121  
Examining Group 1614  
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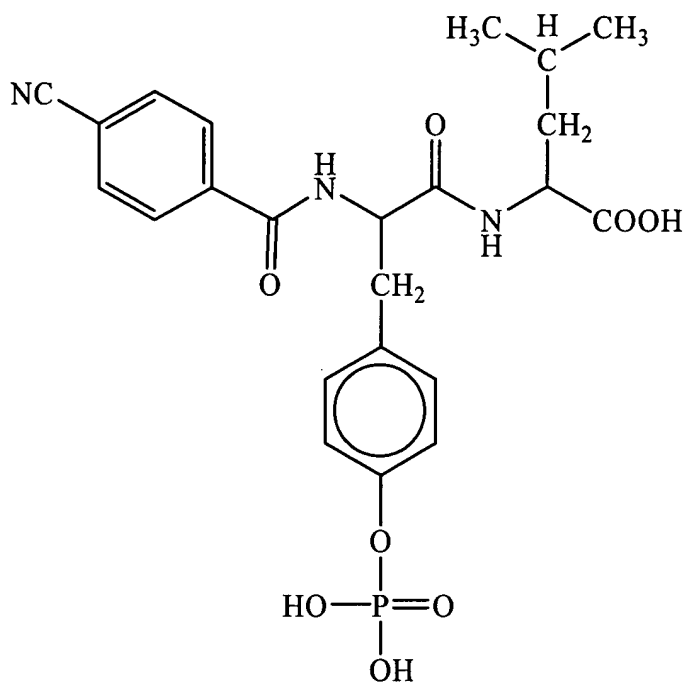
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Sir:

In response to the written Restriction Requirement dated July 28, 2005 in the above-identified patent application, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group I (claims 1-9, 15, and 16), without traverse.

As the species, Applicants hereby elect the compound shown as the fourth compound in the Markush group of claim 8. The chemical structure of the compound is shown below:



Applicants further submit that claims 1-5, 8, 9-15, and 17-19 are readable upon the elected invention.

Prior to examination, Applicants respectfully request that the subject application be amended as follows: